WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A communications data processing apparatus, comprising:

reception means for receiving data containing time information;

storage means for temporarily storing the data received by said reception means;

judging means for judging from the time information contained in the data whether a predetermined time has passed; and

processing means for starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means when said judging means judges that the predetermined time has passed.

2. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising timer means for starting counting a time starting from time information derived from the data first received by said reception means and subtracted by a delay time, wherein said judging means judges whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the time counted by said timer means and said processing means starts the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means if said judging means judges that the time information in the data is later.

3. A communications data processing apparatus according

to claim 1, wherein the data includes MIDI data.

4. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined time is made variable in accordance with a storage capacity of said storage means.

5. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said reception means receives delay time information, and said judging means judges whether the predetermined time represented by the delay time information has passed.

6. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined time is made variable in accordance with a distance to an access point where the data is received.

7. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said reception means receives the data from the Internet.

8. A communications data processing apparatus, comprising:

reception means for receiving data containing time information;

timer means for starting counting a time starting from

time information derived from the data first received by said reception means and subtracted by a delay time,

storage means for temporarily storing the data received by said reception means by adding a delay time to the time information in the data;

judging means for judging whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the time counted by said timer means; and

processing means for starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means if said judging means judges that the time information in the data is later.

9. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the data includes MIDI data.

10. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the delay time is made variable in accordance with a storage capacity of said storage means.

11. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said reception means receives delay time information, and said storage means stores the data by adding the delay time represented by the delay time information to the time information in the data.

12. A communications data processing apparatus according

to claim 8, wherein the delay time is made variable in accordance with a distance to an access point where the data is received.

13. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said reception means receives the data from the Internet.

14. A communications data processing apparatus, comprising:

a receiver for receiving data containing time information;

a memory for temporarily storing the data received by said receiver;

a judge for judging from the time information contained in the data whether a predetermined time has passed; and

a processor for starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said memory when said judge judges that the predetermined time has passed.

15. A communications data processing apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising a timer for starting counting a time starting from time information derived from the data first received by said receiver and subtracted by a delay time, wherein said judge judges whether the time information in the

data temporarily stored in said memory is later than the time counted by said timer and said processor starts the processing of the data temporarily stored in said memory if said judge judges that the time information in the data is later.

16. A communications data processing apparatus, comprising:

a receiver for receiving data containing time information;

a timer for starting counting a time starting from time information derived from the data first received by said receiver and subtracted by a delay time,

a memory for temporarily storing the data received by said receiver by adding a delay time to the time information in the data;

a judge for judging whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said memory is later than the time counted by said timer; and

a processor for starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said memory if said judge judges that the time information in the data is later.

17. A storage medium storing a program to be executed by a computer, the program comprising the steps of:

a) receiving data containing time information;

b) temporarily storing the received data in storage

means;

c) judging from the time information contained in the data whether a predetermined time has passed; and

d) starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means when it is judged that the predetermined time has passed.

18. A storage medium storing a program according to claim 17, further comprising timer means for starting counting a reference time starting from time information derived from the data first received at said step a) and subtracted by a delay time, wherein said step c) judges whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the reference time and said step d) starts the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means if it is judged that the time information in the data is later.

19. A storage medium storing a program to be executed by a computer, the program comprising the steps of:

a) receiving data containing time information;

b) starting counting a reference time starting from time information derived from the data first received at said step a) and subtracted by a delay time,

c) temporarily storing the data received at said step a) by adding a delay time to the time information in the data, in storage means;

d) judging whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the reference time; and

e) starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means if it is judged that the time information in the data is later.

20. A communications data processing method comprising the steps of:

a) receiving data containing time information;

b) temporarily storing the received data in storage means;

c) judging from the time information contained in the data whether a predetermined time has passed; and

d) starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means when it is judged that the predetermined time has passed.

21. A communication data processing method according to claim 20, further comprising the step of:

e) starting counting a reference time starting from time information derived from the data first received at said step a) and subtracted by a delay time, wherein said step c) judges whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the reference time and said step d) starts the processing of the data temporarily

stored in said storage means if it is judged that the time information in the data is later.

22. A communications data processing method comprising the steps of:

a) receiving data containing time information;

b) starting counting a reference time starting from time information derived from the data first received at said step a) and subtracted by a delay time,

c) temporarily storing the data received at said step a) by adding a delay time to the time information in the data, in storage means;

d) judging whether the time information in the data temporarily stored in said storage means is later than the reference time; and

e) starting the processing of the data temporarily stored in said storage means if it is judged that the time information in the data is later.

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